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BEFORE THE

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Docket No. R97-1

DOUGLAS F. CARLSON  
FOLLOW-UP INTERROGATORY  
TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
WITNESS JOE ALEXANDROVICH  
(DFC/USPS-T5-17)

December 5, 1997

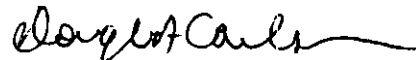
Pursuant to sections 25 and 26 of the *Rules of Practice* and section 2(D) of the *Special Rules of Practice*, I, Douglas F. Carlson, hereby submit this follow-up interrogatory to United States Postal Service witness Joe Alexandrovich.

If the witness is unable to provide a complete, responsive answer to a question, I request that the witness redirect the question to a witness who can provide a complete, responsive answer. Otherwise, I request that the question be redirected to the Postal Service for an institutional response.

The instructions contained in my interrogatories to witness Frank (DFC/USPS-T32-1-7) are incorporated herein by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: December 5, 1997



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**DFC/USPS-T5-17.**

a. Please refer to your response to DFC/USPS-T5-16(b)-(c). Suppose that IOCS data collectors erroneously identify 1,000 stamped cards as private post cards. Suppose, further, that RPW data also erroneously identify 1,000 stamped cards as private post cards. Assume that the actual cost of processing stamped cards is lower than the cost of processing private post cards. Please confirm that these errors will cause the per-piece cost of processing stamped cards to be overstated and the per-piece cost of processing private post cards to be understated. If you do not confirm, please explain your answer fully and, if necessary, provide a numerical example.

b. Do you have any reason to believe that some stamped cards might not have been erroneously classified as private post cards during collection of RPW data? Please explain your answer.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon the required participants of record in accordance with section 12 of the *Rules of Practice* and sections 3(B) and 3(C) of the *Special Rules of Practice*.



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DOUGLAS F. CARLSON

December 5, 1997  
Emeryville, California